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# ***DOE Canister Drop Test Findings (Early Results)***

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# ***FY 2004 DOE Canister Drop Testing Program***

- *Drop testing performed at Sandia National Laboratory in August 2004 to an approved QA program*
- *Hanford provided two production Multi-Canister Overpacks with internal baskets and added weights*
- *INEEL fabricated two Idaho Spent Fuel Project 24-in. canister with simulated weights*
- *The testing was witnessed by NRC and RW staffs*

# ***Drop Test Oversight Team***



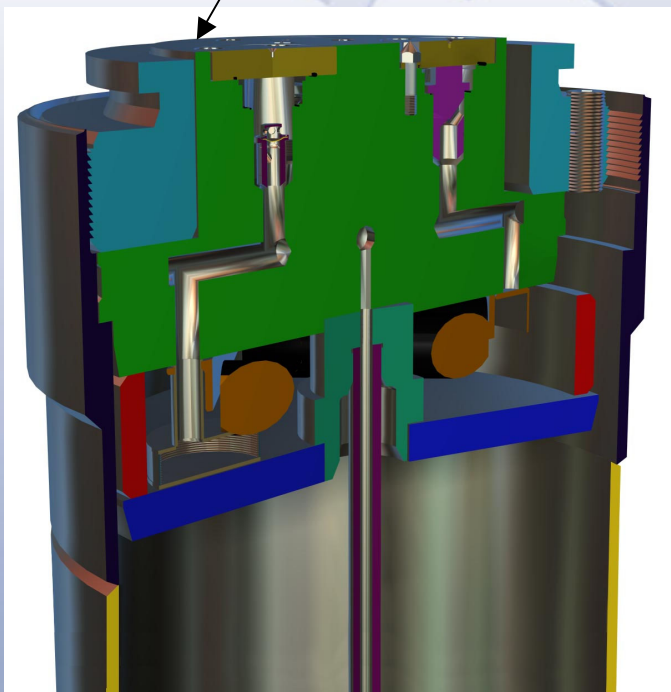
## ***MCO Details***

- *The MCO is a nominal 24-inch diameter with the top cover having a 25.31-inch diameter and an overall length of 13.86 feet*
- *Total weight up to 20,080 pounds*
- *ASME B&PV Code, Section III, Division 1, Subsection NB with Code Case N-595 for storage containment, with Design Specification covering just pressure and temperature*
- *Contains either six Mark 1A or five Mark IV fuel or scrap baskets*



# MCO Internals

A final closure cover  
(not shown) is seal-  
welded over the head.



**Closure Head**



**Mark 1A Fuel and scrap baskets**

# ***Internals for the MCO Canisters***

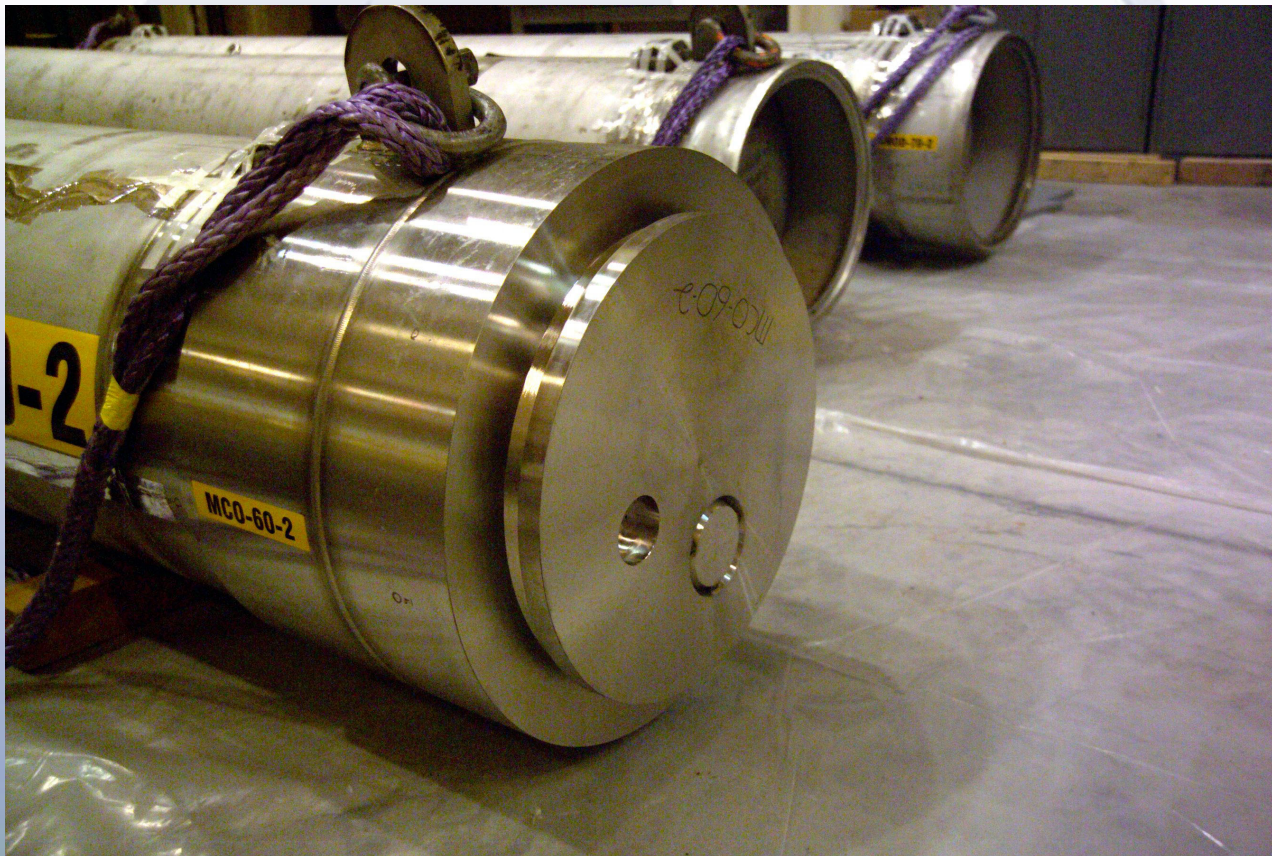




# ***MCO Mark IV Bottom Basket***



# ***MCO with Top Seal and Lift Lug***





# ***MCOs and 24-in. Canisters***



# ***ISFP Canister Details***

- *The ISFP canisters are virtually identical to the standardized DOE SNF canisters from an outside appearance (10,000 lbs)*
- *Design modifications include:*
  - *Thicker heads (machined to match OD/ID)*
  - *Retaining plates welded to inside of head to support impact plate position*
  - *Support rings welded to inside of shell to support the shield plug*
  - *No internal sleeve*
- *ASME B&PV Code, Section III, Division 1, Subsection NB with Code Case N-595 for storage containment design basis*



# ***Shoring and Shield Plugs in 24-In. Canister***





# ***Internal Configuration of the 24-inch Canisters***





# ***Repository Criteria***

- *DOE/RW-0351, Waste Acceptance System Requirements Document (WASRD) contains repository requirements for disposable DOE SNF canisters*
- *WASRD defines two specific drop scenarios to consider when limiting the potential release of radioactivity*
  - *23-foot vertical drop onto unyielding surface*
  - *2-foot worst orientation drop onto unyielding surface*

# ***MCO Drop Tests***

- *Different design, no skirt, twice as heavy*
- *Different material*
- *Repository drops impact directly on containment material*
- *MCO baskets are predicted to significantly deform*
- *Two drop tests identified*
  - *Vertical 23-foot drop for most drop energy possible and significant basket deformation validation*
  - *Two-foot worst orientation due to highest containment strains*

## **24-inch ISFP Drop Tests**

- *24-Inch ISFP canister (Tetra Tech FW DOE SNF canister design)*
  - *Plastic strains similar to the standardized DOE SNF canister*
  - *Only identified use of 24-inch standardized DOE SNF canister is at Idaho*
- *Two drop tests identified*
  - *Tests performed from 30-ft*
  - *Slapdown drop due to highest containment strains*
  - *45-degree drop to validate significant skirt response, plug interface, and gain friction insights*

# 23-ft. MCO Drop

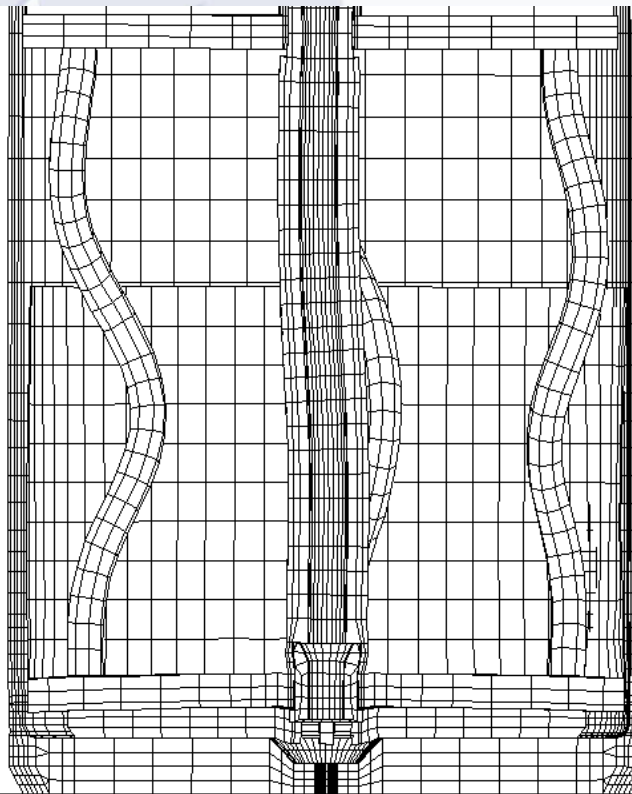




# ***MCO Vertical Drop from 23-ft.***



# ***MCO-00-1 Bottom-End Deformations (Section View, MCO in Rebound)***



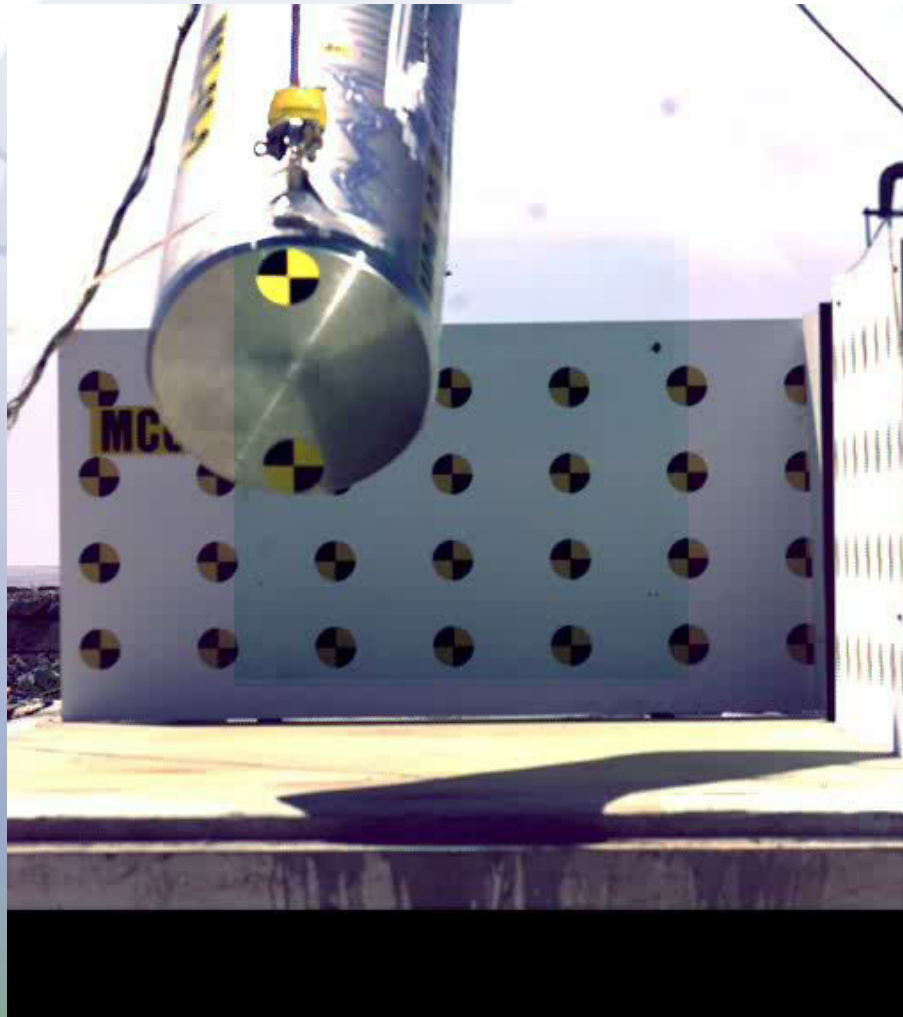
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MCO-00-1, 23-FOOT VERTICAL DROP  
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# ***MCO from 2-ft. and 60 Degrees***



# ***MCO 2-ft. Drop at 60 Degrees***





# ***Standard Canister from 30-ft. at 45 Degrees***



## ***24-in. DOE Canister 45° from 30 ft.***

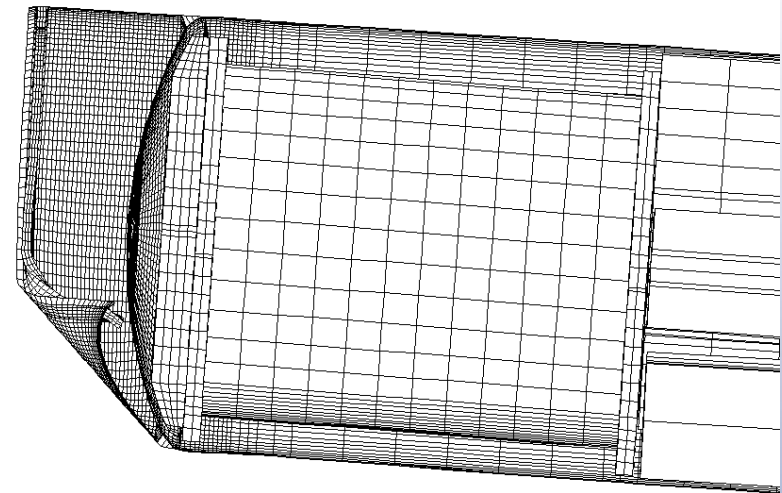


# ***Post-test Observations***





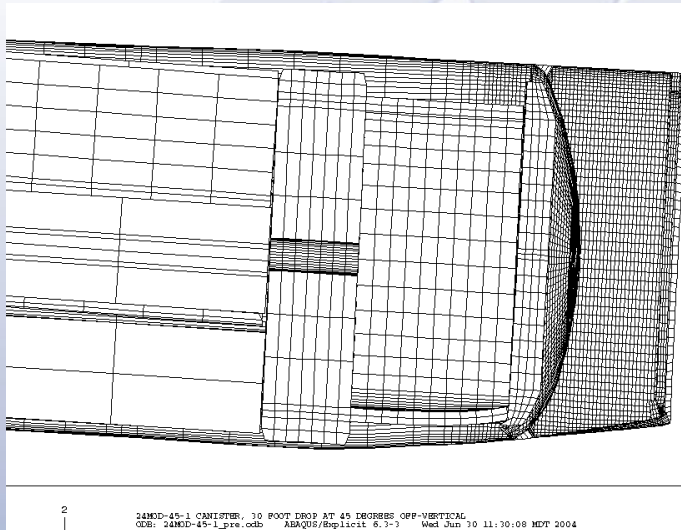
# ***24MOD-45-1 Bottom-End Deformations (Section View After Rebound)***



DOT DROP AT 45 DEGREES OFF-VERTICAL  
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# ***24MOD-45-1 Top-End Deformations (Section View After Rebound)***



# ***Post-test Analysis of Drop Tests***

- *Perform dimensional inspections*
- *Perform helium leak tests*
  - *Leak test on 24-in. canisters*
  - *Helium sniff on the MCOs*
- *Disassembly and inspection of canisters*
- *Compare pretest predictions against results*
- *Issue final test report*
- *Disposal of potentially contaminated MCO heads*
- *No further full scale canister drop testing anticipated*